

# **newsline** extra

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*Newsline Extra features time-sensitive information about State Library programs and current news of interest to the Missouri library community.*

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## **Online registration available for LSTA grant writing workshops**

The LSTA Grant Writing Workshop is training for library staff to gain funding for creative library services and programs. The workshop will take participants through the entire competitive grant proposal process with emphasis in writing the narrative, budget development, performance measurement and evaluation reporting. Attendees will come to the workshop with a grant project idea and will complete the grant application first draft during the workshop. The presenter is Diana Very, a Missouri State Library Consultant and the LSTA Grants Coordinator.

### ***Dates and Locations***

August 28, 2006 - Mississippi County Library  
August 29, 2006 - Farmington Public Library  
August 30, 2006 - Lebanon-Laclede County Library  
August 31, 2006 - Joplin Public Library  
September 6, 2006 - Livingston County Library (Chillicothe)  
September 7, 2006 - Columbia Public Library  
September 8, 2006 - St. Charles City-County Library

This workshop is free to Missouri library personnel and registration is now open at <http://www.sos.mo.gov/library/development/workshop/grantwriting/>. The workshop begins at 10:00 a.m. and ends at 3:00 p.m. Registration is at 9:30 a.m. Registrants will receive confirmation letters and directions. Lunch will be provided. If you have special dietary requirements or questions about accessibility, please contact Diana Very at (800) 325-0131, ext. 16, or [Diana.very@sos.mo.gov](mailto:Diana.very@sos.mo.gov).

## **LearningExpress Library grants available to eligible libraries**

Missouri public libraries now have an opportunity to offer online test preparation, career guidance and skill development materials to their patrons, with assistance through Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) grant funds from the Missouri State Library.

LearningExpress Library (formerly LearnATest) is a web-based interactive resource from LearningExpress, a publisher of test preparation and skill building books. With LearningExpress Library, patrons can access practice tests that range from U.S. citizenship to graduate school entrance exams from library computers.

This is the fourth year the State Library has offered the LearningExpress Library package to public libraries. Previous LearningExpress Library grantees may reapply but are required to commit local matching funds. To be eligible for full funding, applicants must be Missouri public libraries eligible for state aid that do not currently subscribe to

LearningExpress Library. This year public libraries who have previously subscribed to LearningExpress Library with local funds are eligible to apply for a grant still maintaining a percentage of local matching funds.

The deadline for applications is July 24, 2006. Applications are available at <http://www.sos.mo.gov/library/lel>. For additional information, contact Marge Kudrna, literacy consultant, at (800) 325-0131, ext. 17, or [marge.kudrna@sos.mo.gov](mailto:marge.kudrna@sos.mo.gov).

## YALSA to offer two online courses

The Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) is offering two online courses, “New Technologies & New Literacies for Teens” and “Power Programming for Teens”, to run from July 17 - August 17, 2006. Registration is only available online from July 10 – 17, 2006, at <http://www.ala.org/ala/yalsa>.

“New Technologies & New Literacies for Teens” will run for four weeks and participants will become familiar with the tools and techniques teens use to communicate and collaborate online, learn how to inform their own community about best practices that support teen's technology-based print literacies, have the opportunity to talk with others about teen use of technology and how that use improves literacy skills, and create a framework for a program or service at their library that supports teen technology-based print literacy. The course will be taught by Linda Braun. The cost is \$135 for YALSA members, \$175 for ALA members and \$195 for non-members.

“Power Programming for Teens” will run for four weeks and will help participants attain a higher level of service to teens at their library or school. This course is designed for library staff who would like to expand their teen programs. Participants will learn how to develop and implement more programming ideas that will work at their facility and will be taught by Amy Alessio. The cost is \$135 for YALSA members, \$175 for ALA members and \$195 for non-members.

The course is the equivalent of a one day face-to-face workshop. More tips on taking online courses can be found on the YALSA Web site at: <http://www.ala.org/ala/yalsa/onlinecourses/info.htm>.

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